

**IN THE UNITED STATES  
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Hughes et al

Application No.: 10/574,298

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For: WELL BORE TREATMENT FLUID

Customer No.: 37003

Confirmation No. 7082

Examiner: Angela M Ditrani  
Technology Center/Art Unit: 3676

AMENDMENT

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being filed electronically on October 9, 2008.

/Brigid Marie Laffey/  
Brigid Laffey

October 9, 2008  
Date

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 9 July, 2008, Applicant would like to submit the following Amendment.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 12 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 19 of this paper.

Applicant believes that no extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required at this time. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-0615.